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(54) **Human metabotropic glutamate receptor and related DNA compounds.**

(57) This invention provides a human glutamate receptor and functional equivalents thereof, and nucleic acids compounds which encode the receptor. The invention also provides assays, probes and primers, and other molecular biology techniques which utilize the compounds disclosed.

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This invention relates to a novel human glutamate receptor protein and to novel nucleic acid compounds that encode the novel protein.

In the mammalian central nervous system, L-glutamate serves as a major excitatory neurotransmitter. The interaction of glutamate with its membrane bound receptors is believed to play a role in many important neuronal processes including fast synaptic transmission, synaptic plasticity, and longterm potentiation. These processes are fundamental to the maintenance of life and normal human abilities such as learning and memory. Monaghan, D. T. *et al.*, 8 *Neuron* 267 (1992).

Pharmacological characterization of receptors for L-glutamate has led to their classification into two families based on their biological function: the ionotropic receptors which are directly coupled to cation channels in the cell membrane, and the metabotropic receptors which function through coupling to G-proteins. The present invention concerns a member of the metabotropic family of glutamate receptors.

In addition to its role in normal human physiology, interaction of L-glutamate with its receptors is believed to play a key role in many neurological disorders such as stroke, epilepsy, and head trauma, as well as neurodegenerative processes such as Alzheimer's disease. Olney, R. W., 17 *Drug Dev. Res.* 299 (1989). For this reason, understanding the molecular structure of human L-glutamate receptors is important for understanding these disease processes as well as for searching for effective therapeutic agents. Up to the present, the search for therapeutic agents which will bind and modulate the function of human glutamate receptors has been hampered by the unavailability of homogeneous sources of receptors. The brain tissues commonly used by pharmacologists are derived from experimental animals (non-human) and furthermore contain mixtures of various types of glutamate receptors.

In searching for drugs for human therapy, it is desirable to use receptors which are more analogous to those in the intact human brain than are the rodent receptors employed to date. The discovery of human glutamate receptors, therefore, provides a necessary research tool for the development of selective pharmaceutical agents. The present invention provides a human glutamate receptor, HSmGluR1, which can be used to search selectively for drugs which modulate this receptor.

Recently, four metabotropic receptor subtypes (mGluR1-mGluR4) have been cloned from rat brain. Masu *et al.*, 349 *Nature* 760 (1991); Houamed *et al.*, 252 *Science* 1314 (1991); and Tanabe Y. *et al.* 8 *Neuron* 169 (1991). In addition, two alternately spliced versions of mGluR1 are known. Tanabe Y. *et al.* 8 *Neuron* 169 (1991).

The present invention provides compounds which comprise the amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1 or a functional equivalent thereof. In particular, the amino acid compound which is SEQ ID NO:1 is preferred.

The invention also provides nucleic acid compounds which comprise a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the amino acid compounds provided. Particularly, nucleic acid compounds which are DNA are preferred. Most preferred is the DNA compound SEQ ID NO:2. However, also preferred are those nucleic acid compounds which are sense mRNA.

Also provided by the present invention are recombinant nucleic acid vectors comprising the nucleic acids which encode SEQ ID NO:1. The preferred nucleic acid vectors are those which are DNA. Most preferred are recombinant DNA vectors which comprise the DNA sequence which is SEQ ID NO:2. A preferred DNA vector which comprises SEQ ID NO:2 is pRS117.

Moreover, recombinant DNA vectors of the present invention preferably comprise a promoter positioned to drive expression of a DNA sequence which encodes SEQ ID NO:1. Those vectors wherein said promoter functions in mammalian cells are preferred. Those mammalian vectors wherein said promoter functions in AV12 cells are preferred. The recombinant DNA expression vector most preferred is plasmid pRS121.

Restriction fragments of the preferred vectors are also provided. Particularly, the approximately 4.1 kb EcoRI and the approximately 3.8 kb BssHII/AflII restriction fragment of a vector which comprises SEQ ID NO:2 are provided.

The present invention also provides probes and primers useful for molecular biology techniques. A compound which encodes all or part of SEQ ID NO:1 or the reverse complement of a compound which encodes SEQ ID NO:1, and which is at least 18 consecutive base pairs in length is provided as a probe and/or a primer. Preferably, the 18 base pair or more compound is DNA. Most preferred for this use are the DNA compounds which are SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, and SEQ ID NO:5, or their reverse complements.

Further, this invention provides cells in which the nucleic acid compounds of the invention may be harbored. For example, oocytes wherein nucleic acid compounds of the invention express functional HSmGluR1 receptor are provided. An oocyte wherein DNA expresses functional HSmGluR1 receptor is preferred. Most preferred is an oocyte wherein sense mRNA expresses functional HSmGluR1 receptor.

Other host cells include those which are transfected with a nucleic acid compound which encodes SEQ ID NO:1. The preferred transfected host cells which encode SEQ ID NO:1 are mammalian cells and *E.coli*. Preferred mammalian cells include AV12 cells. Preferred host cells are those which have been transfected

with a recombinant DNA vector. Preferably, the DNA vector comprises SEQ ID NO:2. The most preferred transfected host cells are AV12/pRS121 and *E. coli*/pRS117.

Additionally, the invention provides a method for identifying nucleic acids homologous to a probe of the present invention, which comprises contacting the test nucleic acid with the probe under hybridizing conditions, and identifying nucleic acids which are homologous to the probe. The preferred probes for use in this method are SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, or SEQ ID NO:5.

Assays utilizing the compounds provided by the present invention are also provided. The assays provided determine whether a substance interacts with or affects the compound SEQ ID NO:1, said assays comprising contacting a functional compound of SEQ ID NO:1 with said substance, monitoring interaction by physically detectable means, and identifying those substances which effect a chosen response.

Preferably, the physically detectable means are competition with labeled glutamate, hydrolysis of phosphatidylinositol (PI), electrophysiological response in an oocyte expression system, stimulation or inhibition of adenylate cyclase or release of arachidonic acid. A most preferred glutamate competition assay utilizes radioisotope-labeled glutamate. A most preferred oocyte expression system utilizes sense mRNA.

The invention also provides a method for constructing a recombinant host cell capable of expressing a nucleic acid compound which encodes a compound which comprises SEQ ID NO:1, said method comprising transfecting a host cell with a recombinant DNA vector that comprises said nucleic acid compound. The preferred method utilizes mammalian cells as the host cells. The most preferred method utilizes AV12 cells as the mammalian host cells. A preferred method includes a DNA vector which comprises SEQ ID NO:2. A most preferred method utilizes the DNA vector pRS121.

Additionally, a method for expressing a nucleic acid sequence which encodes SEQ ID NO:1 in a recombinant host cell is provided. The method comprises culturing a transfected host cell provided by the present invention under conditions suitable for gene expression. The preferred method utilizes mammalian cells as the host cells. The most preferred method utilizes AV12 cells as the mammalian host cells. The more preferred method utilizes a recombinant DNA vector comprising SEQ ID NO:2. The most preferred method utilizes the recombinant DNA vector pRS121.

The following section provides a detailed description of the present invention. For purposes of clarity and as an aid in understanding the invention, as disclosed and claimed herein, the following items are defined below.

"mRNA" - RNA which has been transcribed either in vivo or in vitro, including, for example, RNA transcripts prepared in vitro via transcription of coding sequences of DNA by RNA polymerase.

"Primer" - A nucleic acid fragment or its reverse complement which functions as template for enzymatic or synthetic elongation.

"Probe" - A nucleic acid compound or a fragment thereof, or its reverse complement either of which is used to hybridize to other nucleic acids.

"Part of SEQ ID NO:1" - A sequence containing at least 6 consecutive amino acid residues or more and that corresponds to a sequence contained in SEQ ID NO:1.

"Physically detectable" - Any information which has been presented in humanly recognizable form, with or without the aid of intervening interpretation. For example, electrophysiological, chemical, or biochemical data is considered within the realm of physically detectable information.

"Functional compound of SEQ ID NO:1" - A compound comprising SEQ ID NO:1 which is capable of interacting with glutamate.

"HSmGluR1 receptor" - the amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1.

"SEQ ID NO:1 and functional equivalents thereof" - The compound of SEQ ID NO:1 and conserved alterations of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein the conserved alterations result in a compound which exhibits substantially the same physical and structural qualities of SEQ ID:1.

"SEQ ID NO:3" - The DNA sequence ATG GTC GGG
CTC CTT TTG TTT TTT TTC CCA GCG ATC TTT TTG GAG GTG TCC CTT CTC
CCC.

This sequence includes bases 1 through 60 of SEQ ID NO:2.

"SEQ ID NO:4" - CCA GGA CACCTT CTG GAA AAT CCC AAC
TTT AAA CGA ATC TGC ACA GGC AAT GAA AGC TTA.

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This sequence includes bases 1141 through 1200 of SEQ ID NO:2.

"SEQ ID NO:5" - AAC GTA TCC TAC GCC TCT GTC ATT
CTG CGG GAC TAC AAG CAA AGC TCT TCC ACC CTG TAA.

This sequence includes bases 3761 through 3817 of SEQ ID NO:2, with the addition of a TAA stop codon at the 3' end.

"Transfection" - any transfer of nucleic acid into a host cell, with or without integration of said nucleic acid into genome of said host cell.

The present invention provides compounds which comprise the amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1, and functional equivalents thereof. The preferred amino acid compound is SEQ ID NO:1, which is the following sequence of amino acids:

Met	Val	Gly	Leu	Leu	Leu	Phe	Phe	Phe	Pro	Ala	Ile	Phe	Leu	Glu	Val
1				5					10					15	
Ser	Leu	Leu	Pro	Arg	Ser	Pro	Gly	Arg	Lys	Val	Leu	Leu	Ala	Gly	Ala
			20					25					30		
Ser	Ser	Gln	Arg	Ser	Val	Ala	Arg	Met	Asp	Gly	Asp	Val	Ile	Ile	Gly
		35					40					45			

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Ala Leu Phe Ser Val His His Gln Pro Pro Ala Glu Lys Val Pro Glu
50 55 60

5 Arg Lys Cys Gly Glu Ile Arg Glu Gln Tyr Gly Ile Gln Arg Val Glu
65 70 75 80

Ala Met Phe His Thr Leu Asp Lys Ile Asn Ala Asp Pro Val Leu Leu
85 90 95

10 Pro Asn Ile Thr Leu Gly Ser Glu Ile Arg Asp Ser Cys Trp His Ser
100 105 110

Ser Val Ala Leu Glu Gln Ser Ile Glu Phe Ile Arg Asp Ser Leu Ile
115 120 125

15 Ser Ile Arg Asp Glu Lys Asp Gly Ile Asn Arg Cys Leu Pro Asp Gly
130 135 140

Gln Ser Leu Pro Pro Gly Arg Thr Lys Lys Pro Ile Ala Gly Val Ile
145 150 155 160

20 Gly Pro Gly Ser Ser Ser Val Ala Ile Gln Val Gln Asn Leu Leu Gln
165 170 175

Leu Phe Asp Ile Pro Gln Ile Ala Tyr Ser Ala Thr Ser Ile Asp Leu
180 185 190

25 Ser Asp Lys Thr Leu Tyr Lys Tyr Phe Leu Arg Val Val Pro Ser Asp
195 200 205

Thr Leu Gln Ala Arg Ala Met Leu Asp Ile Val Lys Arg Tyr Asn Trp
210 215 220

Thr Tyr Val Ser Ala Val His Thr Glu Gly Asn Tyr Gly Glu Ser Gly
225 230 235 240

35 Met Asp Ala Phe Lys Glu Leu Ala Ala Gln Glu Gly Leu Cys Ile Ala
245 250 255

His Ser Asp Lys Ile Tyr Ser Asn Ala Gly Glu Lys Ser Phe Asp Arg
260 265 270

40 Leu Leu Arg Lys Leu Arg Glu Arg Leu Pro Lys Ala Arg Val Val Val
275 280 285

Cys Phe Cys Glu Gly Met Thr Val Arg Gly Leu Leu Ser Ala Met Arg
290 295 300

45 Arg Leu Gly Val Val Gly Glu Phe Ser Leu Ile Gly Ser Asp Gly Trp
305 310 315 320

Ala Asp Arg Asp Glu Val Ile Glu Gly Tyr Glu Val Glu Ala Asn Gly
325 330 335

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Gly Ile Thr Ile Lys Leu Gln Ser Pro Glu Val Arg Ser Phe Asp Asp
340 345 350

5 Tyr Phe Leu Lys Leu Arg Leu Asp Thr Asn Thr Arg Asn Pro Trp Phe
355 360 365

Pro Glu Phe Trp Gln His Arg Phe Gln Cys Arg Leu Pro Gly His Leu
370 375 380

10 Leu Glu Asn Pro Asn Phe Lys Arg Ile Cys Thr Gly Asn Glu Ser Leu
385 390 395 400

Glu Glu Asn Tyr Val Gln Asp Ser Lys Met Gly Phe Val Ile Asn Ala
405 410 415

15 Ile Tyr Ala Met Ala His Gly Leu Gln Asn Met His His Ala Leu Cys
420 425 430

Pro Gly His Val Gly Leu Cys Asp Ala Met Lys Pro Ile Asp Gly Ser
435 440 445

20 Lys Leu Leu Asp Phe Leu Ile Lys Ser Ser Phe Ile Gly Val Ser Gly
450 455 460

Glu Glu Val Trp Phe Asp Glu Lys Gly Asp Ala Pro Gly Arg Tyr Asp
465 470 475 480

Ile Met Asn Leu Gln Tyr Thr Glu Ala Asn Arg Tyr Asp Tyr Val His
485 490 495

30 Val Gly Thr Trp His Glu Gly Val Leu Asn Ile Asp Asp Tyr Lys Ile
500 505 510

Gln Met Asn Lys Ser Gly Val Val Arg Ser Val Cys Ser Glu Pro Cys
515 520 525

35 Leu Lys Gly Gln Ile Lys Val Ile Arg Lys Gly Glu Val Ser Cys Cys
530 535 540

Trp Ile Cys Thr Ala Cys Lys Glu Asn Glu Tyr Val Gln Asp Glu Phe
545 550 555 560

40 Thr Cys Lys Ala Cys Asp Leu Gly Trp Trp Pro Asn Ala Asp Leu Thr
565 570 575

Gly Cys Glu Pro Ile Pro Val Arg Tyr Leu Glu Trp Ser Asn Ile Glu
580 585 590

45 Pro Ile Ile Ala Ile Ala Phe Ser Cys Leu Gly Ile Leu Val Thr Leu
595 600 605

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Phe Val Thr Leu Ile Phe Val Leu Tyr Arg Asp Thr Pro Val Val Lys
 610 615 620
 5 Ser Ser Ser Arg Glu Leu Cys Tyr Ile Ile Leu Ala Gly Ile Phe Leu
 625 630 635 640
 Gly Tyr Val Cys Pro Phe Thr Leu Ile Ala Lys Pro Thr Thr Thr Ser
 645 650 655
 10 Cys Tyr Leu Gln Arg Leu Leu Val Gly Leu Ser Ser Ala Met Cys Tyr
 660 665 670
 Ser Ala Leu Val Thr Lys Thr Asn Arg Ile Ala Arg Ile Leu Ala Gly
 675 680 685
 15 Ser Lys Lys Lys Ile Cys Thr Arg Lys Pro Arg Phe Met Ser Ala Trp
 690 695 700
 Ala Gln Val Ile Ile Ala Ser Ile Leu Ile Ser Val Gln Leu Thr Leu
 705 710 715 720
 20 Val Val Thr Leu Ile Ile Met Glu Pro Pro Met Pro Ile Leu Ser Tyr
 725 730 735
 Pro Ser Ile Lys Glu Val Tyr Leu Ile Cys Asn Thr Ser Asn Leu Gly
 740 745 750
 25 Val Val Ala Pro Leu Gly Tyr Asn Gly Leu Leu Ile Met Ser Cys Thr
 755 760 765
 Tyr Tyr Ala Phe Lys Thr Arg Asn Val Pro Ala Asn Phe Asn Glu Ala
 770 775 780
 30 Lys Tyr Ile Ala Phe Thr Met Tyr Thr Thr Cys Ile Ile Trp Leu Ala
 785 790 795 800
 35 Phe Val Pro Ile Tyr Phe Gly Ser Asn Tyr Lys Ile Ile Thr Thr Cys
 805 810 815
 Phe Ala Val Ser Leu Ser Val Thr Val Ala Leu Gly Cys Met Phe Thr
 820 825 830
 40 Pro Lys Met Tyr Ile Ile Ile Ala Lys Pro Glu Arg Asn Val Arg Ser
 835 840 845
 Ala Phe Thr Thr Ser Asp Val Val Arg Met His Val Gly Asp Gly Lys
 850 855 860
 45 Leu Pro Cys Arg Ser Asn Thr Phe Leu Asn Ile Phe Arg Arg Lys Lys
 865 870 875 880
 50 Ala Gly Ala Gly Asn Ala Asn Ser Asn Gly Lys Ser Val Ser Trp Ser
 885 890 895

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Glu Pro Gly Gly Gly Gln Val Pro Lys Gly Gln His Met Trp His Arg
900 905 910

5 Leu Ser Val His Val Lys Thr Asn Glu Thr Ala Cys Asn Gln Thr Ala
915 920 925

Val Ile Lys Pro Leu Thr Lys Ser Tyr Gln Gly Ser Gly Lys Ser Leu
930 935 940

10 Thr Phe Ser Asp Thr Ser Thr Lys Thr Leu Tyr Asn Val Glu Glu Glu
945 950 955 960

Glu Asp Ala Gln Pro Ile Arg Phe Ser Pro Pro Gly Ser Pro Ser Met
965 970 975

15 Val Val His Arg Arg Val Pro Ser Ala Ala Thr Thr Pro Pro Leu Pro
980 985 990

Pro His Leu Thr Ala Glu Glu Thr Pro Leu Phe Leu Ala Glu Pro Ala
995 1000 1005

20 Leu Pro Lys Gly Leu Pro Pro Pro Leu Gln Gln Gln Gln Gln Pro Pro
1010 1015 1020

Pro Gln Gln Lys Ser Leu Met Asp Gln Leu Gln Gly Val Val Ser Asn
1025 1030 1035 1040

25 Phe Ser Thr Ala Ile Pro Asp Phe His Ala Val Leu Ala Gly Pro Gly
1045 1050 1055

Gly Pro Gly Asn Gly Leu Arg Ser Leu Tyr Pro Pro Pro Pro Pro Pro
1060 1065 1070

Gln His Leu Gln Met Leu Pro Leu Gln Leu Ser Thr Phe Gly Glu Glu
1075 1080 1085

35 Leu Val Ser Pro Pro Ala Asp Asp Asp Asp Asp Ser Glu Arg Phe Lys
1090 1095 1100

Leu Leu Gln Glu Tyr Val Tyr Glu His Glu Arg Glu Gly Asn Thr Glu
1105 1110 1115 1120

40 Glu Asp Glu Leu Glu Glu Glu Glu Glu Asp Leu Gln Ala Ala Ser Lys
1125 1130 1135

Leu Thr Pro Asp Asp Ser Pro Ala Leu Thr Pro Pro Ser Pro Phe Arg
1140 1145 1150

45 Asp Ser Val Ala Ser Gly Ser Ser Val Pro Ser Ser Pro Val Ser Glu
1155 1160 1165

50 Ser Val Leu Cys Thr Pro Pro Asn Val Ser Tyr Ala Ser Val Ile Leu
1170 1175 1180

55 Arg Asp Tyr Lys Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr Leu
1185 1190

Those in the art will recognize that some alterations of SEQ ID NO:1 will fail to change the function of the amino acid compound. For instance, some hydrophobic amino acids may be exchanged for other hydrophobic amino acids. Those altered amino acid compounds which confer substantially the same function in substantially the same manner as the exemplified amino acid compound are also included in the present invention.

Artisans will also recognize that SEQ ID NO:1 and functional equivalents thereof may be synthesized by a number of different methods. All of the amino acid compounds of the invention can be made by chemical methods well known in the art, including solid phase peptide synthesis or recombinant methods. Both methods are described in U.S. Patent 4,617,149. Recombinant methods are preferred if a high yield is desired. A general method for the construction of any desired DNA sequence is provided in Brown *et al.*, 68 Methods in *Enzymology* 109 (1979).

Other routes of producing the amino acid compounds are well known. Expression in eucaryotic cells can be achieved via SEQ ID NO:2. For example, the amino acid compounds can be produced in eucaryotic cells using SV40-derived expression vectors comprising DNA which encodes for SEQ ID NO:1. Some viruses are also appropriate vectors for this purpose. For example, the adenovirus, the adenovirus associated virus, the vaccinia virus, the herpes virus, the baculovirus, and the Rous sarcoma virus are useful viral vectors. Such a method is described in U.S. Patent 4,775,624. Several alternate methods of expression are described in J. Sambrook, E.F. Fritsch & T. Maniatis, *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual* 16.3-17.44 (1989).

Other embodiments of the present invention are nucleic acid compounds which comprise nucleic acid sequences which encode SEQ ID NO:1. As those in the art will recognize, the amino acid compounds of the invention can be encoded by a multitude of different nucleic acid sequences because most of the amino acids are encoded by more than one nucleic acid triplet. Because these alternate nucleic acid sequences would encode the same amino acid sequences, the present invention further comprises these alternate nucleic acid sequences. Preferably, the nucleic acid compound is DNA or sense mRNA. A most preferred embodiment of a DNA compound encoding an HSmGluR1 receptor has this sequence:

ATGGTCGGGC	TCCTTTTGTT	TTTTTCCCA	GCGATCTTTT	TGGAGGTGTC	CCTTCTCCCC	60
AGAAGCCCCG	GCAGGAAAGT	GTTGCTGGCA	GGAGCGTCGT	CTCAGCGCTC	GGTGGCCAGA	120
ATGGACGGAG	ATGTCATCAT	TGGAGCCCTC	TTCTCAGTCC	ATCACCAGCC	TCCGGCCGAG	180
AAAGTGCCCCG	AGAGGAAGTG	TGGGGAGATC	AGGGAGCAGT	ATGGCATCCA	GAGGGTGGAG	240
GCCATGTTCC	ACACGTTGGA	TAAGATCAAC	GCGGACCCGG	TCCTCCTGCC	CAACATCACC	300
CTGGGCAGTG	AGATCCGGGA	CTCCTGCTGG	CACTCTTCCG	TGGCTCTGGA	ACAGAGCATT	360
GAGTTCATTA	GGGACTCTCT	GATTTCCATT	CGAGATGAGA	AGGATGGGAT	CAACCGGTGT	420
CTGCCTGACG	GCCAGTCCCT	CCCCCAGGC	AGGACTAAGA	AGCCCATTCG	GGGAGTGATC	480
GGTCCCGGCT	CCAGCTCTGT	AGCCATTCAA	GTGCAGAACC	TGCTCCAGCT	CTTCGACATC	540
CCCCAGATCG	CTTATTCAGC	CACAAGCATC	GACCTGAGTG	ACAAAACTTT	GTACAAATAC	600

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	TTCCTGAGGG TTGTCCCTTC TGACACTTTG CAGGCAAGGG CCATGCTTGA CATAGTCAAA	660
	CGTTACAATT GGACCTATGT CTCTGCAGTC CACACGGAAG GGAATTATGG GGAGAGCGGA	720
5	ATGGACGCTT TCAAAGAGCT GGCTGCCCCAG GAAGGCCTCT GTATCGCCCA TTCTGACAAA	780
	ATCTACAGCA ACGCTGGGGA GAAGAGCTTT GACCGACTCT TGCGCAAACCT CCGAGAGAGG	840
10	CTTCCCAAGG CTAGAGTGGT GGTCTGCTTC TGTGAAGGCA TGACAGTGCG AGGACTCCTG	900
	AGCGCCATGC GCGCCTTGG CGTCGTGGGC GAGTTCTCAC TCATTGGAAG TGATGGATGG	960
	GCAGACAGAG ATGAAGTCAT TGAAGGTTAT GAGGTGGAAG CCAACGGGGG AATCACGATA	1020
15	AAGCTGCAGT CTCCAGAGGT CAGGTCATTT GATGATTATT TCCTGAAACT GAGGCTGGAC	1080
	ACTAACACGA GGAATCCCTG GTTCCCTGAG TTCTGGCAAC ATCGGTTCCA GTGCCGCCTT	1140
	CCAGGACACC TTCTGGAAAA TCCCAACTTT AAACGAATCT GCACAGGCAA TGAAAGCTTA	1200
20	GAAGAAAACCT ATGTCCAGGA CAGTAAGATG GGGTTTGTCA TCAATGCCAT CTATGCCATG	1260
	GCACATGGGC TGCAGAACAT GCACCATGCC CTCTGCCCTG GCCACGTGGG CCTCTGCGAT	1320
	GCCATGAAGC CCATCGACGG CAGCAAGCTG CTGGACTTCC TCATCAAGTC CTCATTCAAT	1380
25	GGAGTATCTG GAGAGGAGGT GTGGTTTGAT GAGAAAGGAG ACGCTCCTGG AAGGTATGAT	1440
	ATCATGAATC TGCAGTACAC TGAAGCTAAT CGCTATGACT ATGTGCACGT TGGAACCTGG	1500
	CATGAAGGAG TGCTGAACAT TGATGATTAC AAAATCCAGA TGAACAAGAG TGGAGTGGTG	1560
30	CGGTCTGTGT GCAGTGAGCC TTGCTTAAAG GGCCAGATTA AGGTTATACG GAAAGGAGAA	1620
	GTGAGCTGCT GCTGGATTG CACGGCCTGC AAAGAGAATG AATATGTGCA AGATGAGTTC	1680
35	ACCTGCAAAG CTTGTGACTT GGGATGGTGG CCCAATGCAG ATCTAACAGG CTGTGAGCCC	1740
	ATTCCTGTGC GCTATCTTGA GTGGAGCAAC ATCGAACCCA TTATAGCCAT CGCCTTTTCA	1800
	TGCCTGGGAA TCCTTGTTAC CTTGTTTGTC ACCCTAATCT TTGTACTGTA CCGGGACACA	1860
40	CCAGTGGTCA AATCCTCCAG TCGGGAGCTC TGCTACATCA TCCTAGCTGG CATCTTCCTT	1920
	GGTTATGTGT GCCCATTAC TCTCATTGCC AAACCTACTA CCACCTCCTG CTACCTCCAG	1980
	CGCCTCTTGG TTGGCCTCTC CTCTGCGATG TGCTACTCTG CTTTAGTGAC TAAAACCAAT	2040
45	CGTATTGCAC GCATCCTGGC TGGCAGCAAG AAGAAGATCT GCACCCGGAA GCCCAGGTTC	2100
	ATGAGTGCCT GGGCTCAGGT GATCATTGCC TCAATTCTGA TTAGTGTGCA ACTAACCCTG	2160

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GTGGTAACCC TGATCATCAT GGAACCCCTT ATGCCCATTC TGTCCTACCC AAGTATCAAG 2220
 GAAGTCTACC TTATCTGCAA TACCAGCAAC CTGGGTGTGG TGGCCCTTTT GGGCTACAAT 2280
 5 GGACTCCTCA TCATGAGCTG TACCTACTAT GCCTTCAAGA CCCGCAACGT GCCCGCCAAC 2340
 TTCAACGAGG CCAAATATAT CGCGTTCACC ATGTACACCA CCTGTATCAT CTGGCTAGCT 2400
 TTTGTGCCCCA TTTACTTTGG GAGCAACTAC AAGATCATCA CAACTTGCTT TGCAGTGAGT 2460
 10 CTCAGTGTA CAGTGGCTCT GGGGTGCATG TTCACTCCCA AGATGTACAT CATTATTGCC 2520
 AAGCCTGAGA GGAATGTCCG CAGTGCCTTC ACCACCTCTG ATGTTGTCCG CATGCATGTT 2580
 GCGATGGCA AGCTGCCCTG CCGCTCCAAC ACTTTCCTCA ACATCTTCCG AAGAAAGAAG 2640
 15 GCAGGGGCAG GGAATGCCAA TTCTAATGGC AAGTCTGTGT CATGGTCTGA ACCAGGTGGA 2700
 GGACAGGTGC CCAAGGGACA GCATATGTGG CACCGCCTCT CTGTGCACGT GAAGACCAAT 2760
 GAGACGGCCT GCAACCAAAC AGCCGTCATC AAACCCCTCA CTAAAAGTTA CCAAGGCTCT 2820
 20 GGCAAGAGCC TGACCTTTTC AGATACCAGC ACCAAGACCC TTTACAACGT AGAGGAGGAG 2880
 GAGGATGCCC AGCCGATTCG CTTTAGCCCG CCTGGTAGCC CTTCCATGGT GGTGCACAGG 2940
 CGCGTGCCAA GCGCGGCGAC CACTCCGCCT CTGCCGCCCC ACCTGACCGC AGAGGAGACC 3000
 CCCCTCTTCC TGGCCGAACC AGCCCTCCCC AAGGGCTTGC CCCCTCCTCT CCAGCAGCAG 3060
 CAGCAACCCC CTCCACAGCA GAAATCGCTG ATGGACCAGC TCCAGGGAGT GGTCAGCAAC 3120
 30 TTCAGTACCG CGATCCCGGA TTTTCACGCG GTGCTGGCAG GCCCCGGGGG TCCCGGGAAC 3180
 GGGCTGCGGT CCCTGTACCC GCCCCGCGCA CCTCCGCAGC ACCTGCAGAT GCTGCCGCTG 3240
 CAGCTGAGCA CCTTTGGGGA GGAGCTGGTC TCCCCGCCCC CGGACGACGA CGACGACAGC 3300
 35 GAGAGGTTTA AGCTCCTCCA GGAGTACGTG TATGAGCAGC AGCGGGAAGG GAACACCGAA 3360
 GAAGACGAAC TGAAGAGGA GGAGGAGGAC CTGCAGGCGG CCAGCAAACCT GACCCCGGAT 3420
 GATTCGCCTG CGCTGACGCC TCCGTGCCTT TTCCGCGACT CCGTGGCCTC GGGCAGCTCG 3480
 40 GTGCCCAGCT CCCCAGTGTC CGAGTCGGTG CTCTGCACCC CTCCAACGT ATCCTACGCC 3540
 TCTGTCATTC TGCGGGACTA CAAGCAAAGC TCTTCCACCC TG

45 This is the sequence identified as SEQ ID NO:2.

E. coli/pRS117, which contains a cloning vector comprising SEQ ID NO:2, was deposited and made
 part of the stock culture collection of the Northern Regional Research Laboratories (NRRL), Agricultural
 Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Peoria, Illinois, 61604 on April 22, 1992, under the
 50 accession number NRRL B-18969. SEQ ID NO:2 can be isolated from the plasmid, for example, as a 4.1 kb
 EcoRI restriction fragment. Other fragments may also be useful in obtaining SEQ ID NO:2.

Additionally, the DNA sequences can be synthesized using automated DNA synthesizers, such as the
 ABS (Applied Biosystems, 850 Lincoln Centre Drive, Foster City, CA 94404) 380B DNA synthesizer. The
 DNA sequences can also be generated by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) as described in U.S. Patent
 55 No. 4,889,818.

As art workers will recognize, many vectors are available for expression and cloning. Those expression
 and cloning vectors which comprise nucleic acids which encode SEQ ID NO:1 are included in the present
 invention. Preferred nucleic acid vectors are those which are DNA. A most preferred recombinant DNA

vector comprises the DNA sequence SEQ ID NO:2. Plasmid pRS117 is a preferred DNA vector of the present invention.

Other preferred DNA vectors include those which comprise a promoter positioned to drive expression of SEQ ID NO:2. Preferred expression vectors include those which function in mammalian cells. Preferred mammalian expression vectors include those which function in AV12 cells. Most preferred for expression in AV12 cells is the expression vector pRS121.

Restriction fragments of these vectors are also provided. The preferred fragments are the 4.1 kb EcoRI restriction fragment and the 3.8 kb BssHII/AflII restriction fragment of plasmid pRS117.

Plasmid pRS117 may be isolated from the deposited *E. coli*/pRS117, using an ordinary cesium chloride DNA isolation procedure. Plasmid pRS117 is readily modified to construct expression vectors that produce HSmGluR1 receptors in a variety of organisms, including, for example, *E. coli*, Sf9 (as host for baculovirus), *Spodoptera* and *Saccharomyces*. The current literature contains techniques for constructing AV12 expression vectors and for transfecting AV12 host cells. For example, U.S. Patent No. 4,992,373 explains these techniques.

The construction protocols utilized for AV12 vectors can be followed to construct analogous vectors for other organisms, merely by substituting, if necessary, the appropriate regulatory elements using well known techniques. Promoters which may be used, for example, are the thymidine kinase promoter, the metallothionin promoter or various viral and immunoglobulin promoters.

The present invention also provides probes and primers useful for molecular biology techniques. A compound which encodes all or part of SEQ ID NO:1, or the reverse complement of a compound which encodes SEQ ID NO:1, and which is at least 18 consecutive base pairs in length is provided as a probe and/or a primer. Preferred probes and primers are DNA. Most preferred probes and primers are: SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, and SEQ ID NO:5. The techniques associated with using probes and primers are well known in the art.

Any sequence of at least 18 base pairs in length of the nucleic acids of the present invention may be used to screen any other nucleic acid. For example, 18 consecutive bases or more of nucleic acids of the present invention may be used to hybridize to the terminal ends of the coding sequence. Then, through polymerase chain reaction amplification, the full length sequence may be generated. The full length sequence can be subsequently subcloned into any vector of choice.

Alternatively, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, or SEQ ID NO:5 may be radioactively labeled in order to screen cDNA libraries by conventional means. Furthermore, any piece of HSmGluR1 DNA which has been bound to a filter may be flooded with total mRNA transcripts, in order to then reverse-transcribe the mRNA transcripts which bind.

Primers and probes may be obtained by means well known in the art. For example, once pRS117 is isolated, restriction enzymes and subsequent gel separation may be used to isolate the fragment of choice.

Host cells which harbor the nucleic acids of the present invention are also provided. For example, oocytes which have been injected with RNA or DNA compounds of the present invention are provided. Most preferred oocytes of the present invention are those which harbor sense mRNA. Other preferred host cells include AV12 and *E. coli* cells which have been transfected with a vector which comprises SEQ ID NO:2. Most preferred AV12 and *E. coli* host cells are AV12/pRS121 and *E. coli*/pRS117.

The oocyte expression system can be constructed according to the procedure described in Lübbert, *et al.* 84 Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. 4332 (1987) or Berger, *Methods in Enzymology*, Vol. 152 (1987). Other host cell transfection methods are well known in the art as well.

The present invention also provides a method for constructing a recombinant host cell capable of expressing SEQ ID NO:1, said method comprising transfecting a host cell with a recombinant DNA vector that comprises an DNA sequence which encodes SEQ ID NO:1.

The preferred host cell is AV12, which may be obtained from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD 20852 under the accession number ATCC CRL 9595. The preferred vector for expression is one which comprises SEQ ID NO:2. Especially preferred for this purpose is pRS121.

Other preferred host cells for this method are mammalian cells. Especially preferred mammalian cells are AV12 cells. A preferred AV12 expression vector is pRS121. Transfected host cells may be cultured under well known conditions such that SEQ ID NO:1 is expressed, thus producing HSmGluR1 activity in the recombinant host cell.

Therefore, also provided by the present invention is a method for expressing a gene which encodes SEQ ID NO:1 in a recombinant host cell, said method comprising culturing said transfected host cell under conditions suitable for gene expression. A preferred method utilizes mammalian cells. A preferred method utilizes AV12 cells as the mammalian cells. A most preferred method utilizes AV12 cells as host cells for

pRS121. Expression in host cells may be accomplished according to the procedures outlined in Goeddel, *Methods in Enzymology*, vol. 185 (1990).

Additionally, the invention provides a method for identifying nucleic acids homologous to a probe of the present invention, which comprises contacting a test nucleic acid with the probe under hybridizing conditions and identifying those test nucleic acids which are homologous to the probe. The preferred probes for use in this method are SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, or SEQ ID NO:5. Hybridization techniques are well known in the art. Sambrook, *et al.*, *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual* 11 (1989) describe such procedures.

Assays utilizing the compounds provided by the present invention are also provided. These assays determine whether a substance interacts with or affects the compound of SEQ ID NO:1, said assay comprising contacting a functional compound of SEQ ID NO:1 with said substance, monitoring interaction by physically detectable means, and identifying those substances which effect a chosen response.

Preferably, the physically detectable means are competition with labeled glutamate, hydrolysis of phosphatidylinositol, electrophysiological response in an oocyte expression system, stimulation or inhibition of adenylate cyclase or release of arachidonic acid. A most preferred glutamate competition assay utilizes radioisotope-labeled glutamate. A most preferred oocyte expression system utilizes sense mRNA.

The oocyte expression system can be constructed according to the procedure described in Lübbert, *et al.* 84. *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci.* 4332 (1987) or Berger, *Methods in Enzymology*, Vol. 152 (1987). The radiolabeled HSmGluR1 competition assay may be accomplished according to Foster and Fagg, 7 *Brain Res. Rev.* 103 (1984). The assay which measures glutaminergic activity via phosphatidylinositol hydrolysis may be accomplished according to Berridge M., 212 *Biochem. J.* 849 (1983) or Schoepp *et al.*, 11 *TIPS* 508 (1990). Stimulation and inhibition of adenylate cyclase may be accomplished according to Nakajima *et al.*, 267 *J. Biol. Chem.* 2437 (1992). Measurement of arachidonic acid release may be accomplished according to Felder *et al.*, 264 *J. Biol. Chem.* 20356 (1989). Skilled artisans will recognize that desirable K_i values are dependent on the selectivity of the compound tested. For example, a compound with a K_i which is less than 10 nM is generally considered an excellent candidate for drug therapy. However, a compound which has a lower affinity, but is selective for the particular receptor, may be an even better candidate. The present invention, however, provides competition assays, which indicate whether a substance has either a high affinity or low affinity to HSmGluR1 receptor, because skilled artisans will recognize that any information regarding binding or selectivity of a particular compound is beneficial in the pharmaceutical development of drugs.

The following are examples of the present invention:

Example 1

Growth of *E.coli*/pRS117

A lyophilized culture of *E. coli* containing plasmid pRS117 can be obtained from the NRRL, Peoria, Illinois, 61604, under the accession number NRRL B-18969, and inoculated into a suitable broth for the growth of *E. coli* using standard microbiological procedures.

The contents of a lyophil vial containing *E. coli*/pRS117 were transferred into 100 ml of sterile YT (tryptone-yeast extract) broth containing 100 µg/ml ampicillin in a one liter fermentation flask and shaken at 37°C on an orbital shaker at 250-300 rpm. After the optical density (OD, measured at 600 millimicrons) had reached approximately 1-2 OD, the bacterial cells were recovered and used for the isolation of plasmid pRS117 according to the procedures detailed in J. Sambrook *et al.*, *Molecular Cloning*, Chapter 1, (1989).

Once isolated from the bacterial cells, the plasmid DNA served as a source for the DNA encoding the HSmGluR1 receptor protein. One convenient method to remove the receptor-encoding DNA from plasmid pRS117 was to digest the plasmid with the restriction enzyme EcoRI. This enzyme cuts the plasmid at unique sites to produce a DNA fragment of approximately 4.1 kb containing the entire coding sequence of the HSmGluR1 receptor.

Example 2

Construction of pRS121 from pRS117

DNA encoding SEQ ID NO:1 was recovered from plasmid pRS117 as described in Example 1. DNA linkers were added to the fragment ends in order to adapt the EcoRI cohesive termini into Bam HI cohesive termini. This was accomplished by ligation of short dupl x oligonucleotides having both an EcoRI terminus

and a BamHI terminus to the pRS117-derived fragments. The ligation involved incubation with T4 DNA ligase.

Following incubation, the reaction products were digested with BamHI and separated according to molecular weight on an agarose gel. The DNA band on the gel at the position expected for a fragment of approximately 4 kb was excised from the gel and the DNA recovered by the phenol-freeze-fracture method of Huff *et al.*, 10 *Biotechniques* 724 (1991).

The isolated fragment was then ligated to a modified pHD plasmid. The modified pHD vector was substantially the vector described in issued Patent No. 4,992,373, except that the vector described in the issued patent was digested with the restriction enzyme BclI and treated with alkaline phosphatase. The ligation products were then transfected into *E.coli* DH5 α cells which had been made competent for DNA transfection. These cells were plated at low density on TY agar plates which contained ampicillin.

A clone was selected from the colonies which grew. This clone, pRS121 was characterized by restriction enzyme digestion and DNA hybridization probing.

Example 3

Transfection and Growth of AV12/pRS121

AV12 cells were grown in a routine manner. Cells were placed in 100 mm cell-culture plates in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (D-MEM) which contained 10% fetal calf serum at 37°C and grown in an atmosphere containing 5% CO₂. To prepare plasmid DNA for transfection, plasmid pRS121 (20 μ g) was added to 500 μ l of 0.5M CaCl₂ and mixed with 500 μ l 0.9% NaCl buffered at pH 6.95 with N,N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-aminoethanesulfonic acid. After 30 minutes at room temperature, the this mixture resulted in a suspension of precipitated DNA.

The suspension of precipitated DNA was then added to a 100 mm diameter cell-culture plate of AV12 cells. At the time of adding the suspension of DNA, the cell monolayer was approximately 50% confluent. The plate was incubated overnight at 37°C and, after rinsing with D-MEM, the cells were incubated an additional 24 hours in D-MEM containing 10% dialyzed fetal calf serum. The cells were then detached from the plate with trypsin and dispensed into 10 new plates. After an additional 24 hours incubation, hygromycin, at 200 μ g/ml final concentration, was added to the growth medium in order to select for colonies of cells which grew. Those cells which grew contained pRS121 with the associated hygromycin resistance gene. After the clones had reached a suitable size, (1-2 mm in diameter), individual clones were recovered and cultures of these clones were propagated using standard tissue-culture techniques. The cultures were grown in a routine manner in D-MEM medium without glutamic acid, containing 2 mM glutamine and 10% dialyzed fetal calf serum. Subcultures were prepared when cultures became confluent. The subculture preparation included disassociating the cells with trypsin, diluting the cells disassociated into fresh culture medium, and placing the dilutions into fresh culture vessels at 1/10 the original concentration.

Example 4

AV12/pRS121 PI Assay

PI hydrolysis in clonal cell lines of AV12/pRS121 cells was measured in response to glutamate agonists as a functional assay for metabotropic glutamate receptor activity according to Schoepp, 11 *TIPS* 508 (1990).

Twenty-four-well tissue-culture vessels were seeded with approximately 250,000 cells per well in D-MEM (in the absence of glutamic acid) which contained 2 mM glutamine and 10% dialyzed fetal calf serum. Four microcuries of ³H-myoinositol were then added to each well and the cultures were incubated for 48 hours at 37°C. The wells were then rinsed with serum-free medium which contained 10mM LiCl and 10mM myoinositol. Some wells were then exposed to medium with glutamate agonists for one hour at 37°C, and some wells were at the same time exposed to medium without glutamate agonists for one hour at 37°C.

The reactions were terminated by removing the media and adding 0.5 ml acetone-methanol (1:1). The cells were then incubated at 4°C for 20 minutes. The acetone-methanol solutions were recovered from the wells and were placed into centrifuge tubes. Each well was rinsed with 0.5 ml water and the rinses were combined in the centrifuge tubes with the corresponding solvent extracts. After centrifugation at 15,000g for 10 minutes, the supernatants were recovered.

In order to separate the PI hydrolysis products, ACELL PLUS QMA (Waters Division of Millipore Corporation) cartridges were prepared by adding 10 ml of a solution containing a final concentration of 1M

ammonium formate and 0.1 M formic acid to each cartridge, followed by two rinses with 10 ml distilled water. The cell extracts were diluted to 5 ml with distilled water and were then added to individual cartridges. Each cartridge was then washed with 10 ml of 5 mM sodium tetraborate solution.

Labeled phosphoinositides were eluted from the cartridges with 4 ml of a solution which contained: 0.1 M ammonium formate; 0.1 M formic acid and 5 mM sodium tetraborate. The eluates were collected in scintillation vials. Scintillation counting fluid (Ready Solv HP) was added to the vials and the radioactivity was determined in a Beckmann Scintillation Counter.

Exposure of the AV12/pRS121 to the known glutamate receptor agonist quisqualate (10 μ M) resulted in a 200 to 300 percent increase in PI hydrolysis over the basal level in cells with exposure to agonist. No increase in PI hydrolysis over basal levels was found in control AV12 cells.

Example 5

In vitro transcription of RNA using pRS117 as a DNA template

RNA transcripts encoding the HSmGluR1 receptor were produced by enzymatic transcription from pRS117 using an RNA polymerase which recognizes the transcription promoter contained in the plasmid adjacent to the amino terminal coding end of the receptor subunit cDNA. Plasmid pRS117 was treated with the restriction enzyme Sall which made a single cut distal to the 3' end of the cDNA insert in the circular DNA and converted the plasmid DNA into a linear form. This DNA was then incubated with T7 RNA polymerase in the presence of GpppG cap nucleotide, rATP, rCTP, rUTP and rGTP. The synthetic RNA transcript obtained was purified by passage over a Sephadex G-50 column. For a detailed description of *in vitro* RNA synthesis using bacteriophage RNA polymerase such as T7, see P. A. Krieg and D. A. Melton, Vol 155, *Methods in Enzymology*, Ch. 25, 1987.

Example 6

Functional Expression of HSmGluR1 Receptor in Xenopus Oocytes.

Oocytes suitable for injection were obtained from the adult female *Xenopus laevis* using procedures described in C. J. Marcus-Sekura and M. J. M. Hitchcock, *Methods in Enzymology*, Vol. 152 (1987). After treatment with collagenase type 1a (Sigma) at a concentration of 2 mg/ml, the defolliculated oocytes were injected essentially as described by M. J. M. Hitchcock *et al.*, *Methods in Enzymology*, Vol. 152 Chapter 28, (1987). Subsequently, 5 ng of RNA transcript in a total volume of 50 nl, prepared as described in Example 2, were injected into each oocyte and they were then incubated in Barth's saline solution at 18°C until needed for electrophysiological measurements.

In order to detect the presence of HSmGluR1 receptor, the ability of the receptor to function was determined by voltage recording of electrical current flowing across the oocyte membrane in response to exposure to glutamate agonists. Individual oocytes were placed in a diffusion chamber (0.5 ml vol.) through which solutions were perfused rapidly. Drugs (agonists and antagonists) were applied to the oocytes by adding them to the perfusing solutions and subsequently washing them out with control solution. The control solution contained 96 nM NaCl, 2mM KCl, 1.8 nM CaCl₂, 1 mM MgCl₂, and 5 mM HEPES buffer, pH 7.6. After insertion of electrodes into the oocytes, voltage recordings were made using the bridge circuit of an Axoclamp 1A voltage-clamp unit. Microelectrodes were filled with 3 M CsCl. Electrophysiological recordings of the oocytes clamped at -70 mV were made at room temperature (20-25°C), 3 days or more after injection of RNA into the oocytes. In response to perfusion of the oocytes with 10 μ M glutamate, an inward current across the oocyte membrane of 400 nano-amperes was observed. The current observed was proportional to the concentration of agonist in the perfusion fluid. From the values obtained, EC₅₀ values (the concentration at which 50% of maximal response was observed) were calculated for various agonists. For example, the EC₅₀ value for glutamate was 0.000002 M and the EC₅₀ value for quisqualate was 0.0000004 M. As those skilled in the art appreciate these results are indicative of a metabotropic glutamate receptor. For a detailed discussion of the electrophysiology of *Xenopus* oocytes see N. Dascal, 22 *CRC Critical Reviews in Biochemistry*, 317 (1987).

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(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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 (C) STRANDEDNESS: both
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- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
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- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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(1) GENERAL INFORMATION:

(i) APPLICANT: ELI LILLY AND COMPANY

(B) STREET: Lilly Corporate Center

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(ii) TITLE OF INVENTION: Human Metabotropic Glutamate Receptor
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(B) COMPUTER: Mackintosh

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55 Claims

1. A human metabotropic glutamate receptor protein, which comprises the amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1 or functional equivalents thereof.

2. The human metabotropic glutamate receptor protein of Claim 1 which is SEQ ID NO:1.
3. A nucleic acid compound which comprises a nucleic acid sequence that encodes all or part of the protein of Claim 1.
- 5 4. The nucleic acid compound of Claim 3 which is SEQ ID NO:2.
5. A recombinant DNA vector which comprises the nucleic acid compound of Claim 3 or Claim 4.
- 10 6. A host cell transfected with the recombinant DNA vector of Claim 5.
7. The transfected host cell of Claim 6 which is *E. coli*/pRS117.
8. A method for determining whether a substance interacts with or affects the protein of SEQ ID NO:1, said method comprising contacting a functional compound of SEQ ID NO:1 with said substance, monitoring interaction by physically detectable means, and identifying those substances which effect a chosen response.
- 15 9. A method for constructing a host cell capable of expressing the protein of Claim 1, said method comprising transfecting a host cell with a recombinant DNA vector that comprises the nucleic acid compound of Claim 3, and culturing said host cell under conditions suitable for the expression of said nucleic acid compound.
- 20 10. A method for expressing a nucleic acid compound which encodes SEQ ID NO:1 or a functional equivalent thereof in a host cell transfected with said nucleic acid compound, said method comprising culturing said transfected host cell of Claim 6 under conditions suitable for expression of said nucleic acid compound.
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